Paul Ziriax Biography



Paul Ziriax (pronounced ZEER'-iks) has served as Secretary of the Oklahoma State Election Board since 2009 and is Oklahoma's chief election official.

He is also the Secretary of the Oklahoma State Senate. (Since 1913, Oklahoma law has required the Secretary of the State Senate to serve as the Secretary of the State Election Board.)

Originally from Claremore, Oklahoma, he has worked as a senior aide in the Oklahoma State Senate, as chief of staff and press secretary to a Member of Congress from Oklahoma, and as a radio station music director and announcer.

Ziriax is a member of the National Association of State Election Directors and the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries, and is a past appointee to the Oklahoma Capitol Preservation Commission. He is an alumnus of Oklahoma State University in Stillwater.